#### **COUNTY PROFILE**

# Rock Co.

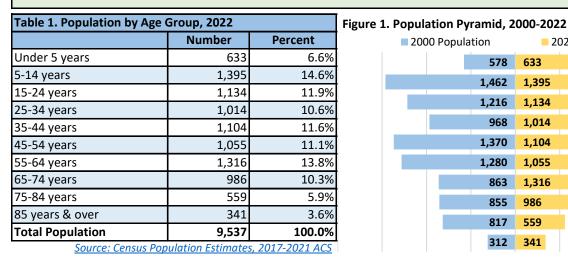
Rock Co. is a part of Economic Development Region 8, which is located in the Southwest Planning Region.

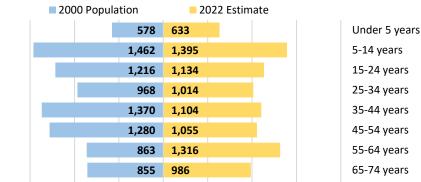
## **POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS**



**40.4** years Median Age: 38.3 years state:

Rock Co. is the 69th largest of the 87 counties in the state. Its population decreased over the past decade, ranking as the 60th fastest growing in the state from 2010 to 2022. Rock Co.'s population has an older median age than the state and a larger percentage of people aged 65 years and older. The population is aging, especially as the Baby Boom generation moves through the population pyramid (see Figure 1).





817

312

559

341

Rock Co. suffered a negative natural increase - more deaths than births from 2020 to 2022, but also experienced net out-migration - meaning more people moved out than moved in. Despite suffering domestic out-migration, Rock Co. welcomed net international in-migration - gaining new Minnesotans from foreign countries (see Table 2).

Table 2. Cumulative Estimates of the Components of Population Change, 2020-2022										
	Total		April 1, 2020 to July 1, 2022							
	Population	Natural	tural Vital Events Net Migration							
	Change	Increase	Births	Deaths	Total	International	Domestic			
Rock Co.	-164	-112	207	319	9 -60 3 -63					
State of Minnesota	10,680	26,917	26,917 144,350 117,433 -17,365 20,012 -37,377							

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program

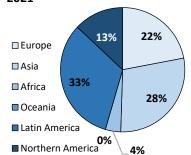
Compared to the state, Rock Co. has a smaller percentage of foreign-born residents. From 2010 to 2021, Rock Co. saw an increase in the number of foreign-born residents, which was faster than the statewide increase.

Table 3. Place of Birth for the Foreign Born	Rock Co.		Change 2	010-2021	Minnesota		
Population, 2021	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percent	Change	
Foreign-born Population	200	2.1%	88	78.6%	8.5%	30.6%	
Europe	44	22.0%	-1	-2.2%	9.4%	0.3%	
Asia	57	28.5%	36	171.4%	37.0%	30.2%	
Africa	8	4.0%	8	#DIV/0!	27.8%	89.8%	
Oceania	0	0.0%	-1	-100.0%	0.4%	17.8%	
Americas:	91	45.5%	46	102.2%	25.4%	6.8%	
Latin America	65	32.5%	27	71.1%	23.0%	8.5%	
Northern America	26	13.0%	19	271.4%	2.5%	-6.7%	

Figure 2. Place of Birth for the Foreign Born Population, 2021

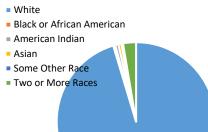
75-84 years

85 years & over



Rock Co.'s population was becoming more racially diverse over time. Since 2011, the county's white population declined, but the number of people of other races increased (see Table 4).

Figure 3. Population by Race, 2021



		Rock Co.	Minnesota		
Table 4. Race and Hispanic Origin, 2021	Number	Percent	Change from 2011-2021	Percent	Change from 2011-2021
Total	9,718	100.0%	1.0%	100.0%	7.4%
White	9,267	95.4%	-1.0%	80.7%	0.4%
Black or African American	40	0.4%	-27.3%	6.6%	42.2%
American Indian or Alaska Native	63	0.6%	-26.7%	0.9%	-8.0%
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	59	0.6%	51.3%	5.0%	35.8%
Some Other Race	33	0.3%	3200.0%	2.1%	66.5%
Two or More Races	256	2.6%	224.1%	4.6%	121.8%
Hispanic or Latino origin	323	3.3%	73.7%	5.6%	31.6%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2017-2021 American Community Survey

#### POPULATION PROJECTIONS

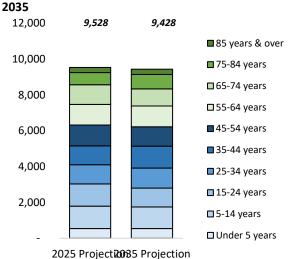
According to the Minnesota State Demographic Center, Rock Co.'s population is expected to decline from 2025 to 2035, with a rate of change that is slower than the projected statewide growth rate (4.5%). Despite the decline, the number of people aged 65 years and older is expected to decrease over the next decade (see Figure 4 and Table 5).

Table 5. Population Projections by Age Group, 2025-2035

95.4%

2035 Numeric 2025 Percent Rock Co. **Projection Projection** Change Change **Under 5 years** 537 540 3 0.6% 1,252 1,204 5-14 years -48 -3.8% 15-24 years 1,243 1,059 -184 -14.8% 46 25-34 years 1,069 1,115 4.3% 35-44 years 1,055 1.216 161 15.3% -7.3% 45-54 years 1,165 1,080 -85 55-64 years 1.143 1.165 22 1.9% 65-74 years 1,104 951 -153 -13.9% 75-84 years 676 803 127 18.8% 85 years & over 284 295 11 3.9% **Total Population** 9,528 9,428 -100 -1.0%

Figure 4. Projections by Age Group, 2025-



Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center

#### **EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT**

Rock Co. has a higher percentage of adults (18 years & over) with at least a high school diploma than the state (92.8%), and a lower percentage of people with at least some college experience. Rock Co. also has a higher percentage of people with an Associate's degree and a lower percentage of people with a Bachelor's degree or higher.

Percentage of the adult population (18 years & over) with at least a high school diploma:

93.6%

Less than high school

High school graduate (incl. equiv.)

Some college, no degree

Associate's degree

Bachelor's degree

Advanced degree

College-educated: 61.5% state: 68.0%

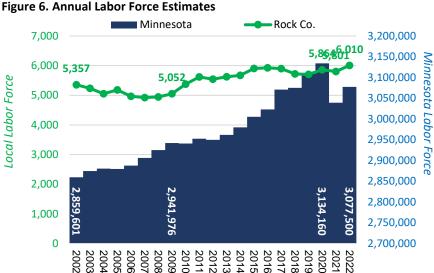
Associate's Degree: 12.9%
Bachelor's Degree: 17.9%
Advanced Degree: 6.2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2017-2021 American Community Survey

## LABOR FORCE TRENDS

At 1.7%, Rock Co. had a lower unemployment rate than the state in 2022. After the pandemic recession Rock Co.'s unemployment rate decreased compared to 3.2% in 2020, and declined compared to the 2.4% pre-pandemic rate posted in 2019. The number of unemployed workers actively seeking work in Rock Co. declined over the past year, and is down compared to 2019.





Source: DEED Local Area Unemployment Statistics

Labor force growth has slowed in recent years. After experiencing a net gain of 43.4 workers each year from 1990 to 2000, Rock Co. averaged an annual gain of 12.7 new workers from 2000 to 2010, and most recently a gain of 48.7 new workers since 2010 (see Figure 7). Moving forward, Rock Co. is expected to see a labor force decline from 2025 to 2035 (see Table 6).

Figure 7. Annual Change in Labor Force, 1990-2022

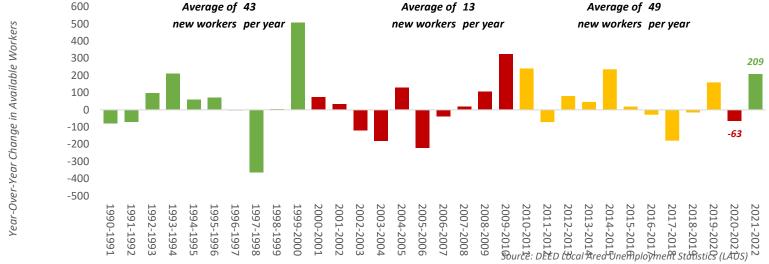
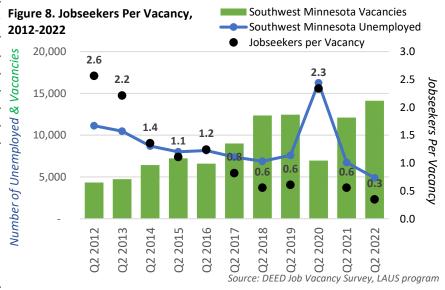


Table 6. Labor Force	Labor Force Projection					
Projections, 2025-2035	2025 2035					
16 to 24 years	831	728				
25 to 54 years	2,883	2,992				
55 to 64 years	914	932				
65 years & over	502	450				
Total Labor Force	5,130	5,101				

Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center, 2017-2021 ACS

The labor market had grown extremely tight in recent years, with less than 1 jobseeker per vacancy until the pandemic recession intervened in early 2020 and the number of unemployed workers spiked. Job vacancies in Southwest reached new highs in the 4th quarter of 2021, quickly bringing back challenges in finding new workers and 2022 showed the lowest jobseeker-per-vacancy ratio on record (see Figure 8).



## LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS

Rock Co. had a lower labor force participation rate than the state. The labor force in Rock Co. is less racially diverse than the state (where 82.6% of workers are white alone), but is becoming more diverse over time.

		Rock Co.		Minnesota		Labor Force by Gender	
	In Labor Force	Labor		Labor		2000110100	by denuer
	(available	Force	Unemp.	Force	Unemp.		
	workers)	Partic.	Rate	Partic.	Rate	Male	Female
Total Labor Force	5,148	Rate 68.4%	2.2%	Rate 69.2%	4.0%	2,741	2,404
16 to 19 years	323	58.8%	5.3%	52.3%	10.7%	182	141
20 to 24 years	455	94.4%	0.0%	83.3%	6.7%	232	223
25 to 44 years	1,904	88.2%	2.2%	88.8%	3.6%	1,001	903
45 to 54 years	931	86.6%	2.0%	87.6%	3.0%	471	460
55 to 64 years	1,072	80.0%	3.3%	73.1%	3.2%	591	481
65 to 74 years	401	39.9%	0.2%	28.0%	3.2%	211	190
75 years & over	59	6.4%	0.0%	6.6%	2.9%	53	6
Employment Characteristics by Race &	k Hispanic Origin					Figure 9. La	abor Force by
White alone	4,965	68.3%	2.3%	68.5%	3.4%	Race, 2021	•
Black or African American	0	0.0%	0.0%	71.9%	8.6%	,	
American Indian & Alaska Native	9	69.2%	0.0%	57.4%	12.9%		
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	47	85.5%	0.0%	72.7%	4.1%		\ <u>\</u>
Some Other Race	23	92.0%	0.0%	75.8%	6.2%		
Two or More Races	101	64.7%	0.0%	74.1%	7.3%		
Hispanic or Latino	157	85.3%	1.3%	77.0%	6.6%		
<b>Employment Characteristics by Disabi</b>	lity						
With Any Disability	228	57.7%	5.3%	53.6%	9.9%		96.4%
<b>Employment Characteristics by Educa</b>	tional Attainment						
Population, 25 to 64 years	3,906	85.4%	2.5%	84.4%	3.4%	White a	
Less than H.S. Diploma	118	84.3%	5.0%	66.6%	4.6%		African American
H.S. Diploma or Equivalent	1,015	83.1%	1.6%	77.3%	2.5%		n Indian & Alaska
Some College or Assoc. Degree	1,485	82.8%	2.3%	85.1%	3.6%		Other Pac. Island
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	1,288	90.8%	0.7%	90.3%	2.1%	Some O	ther Race

Source: 2017-2021 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates

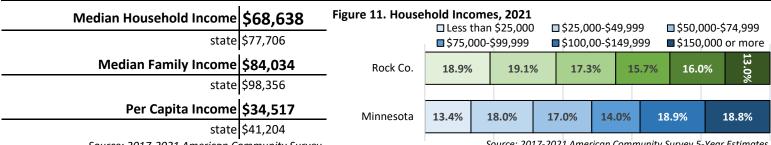
■ Two or More Races

A smaller percentage of workers in Rock Co. worked in the same county in which they live compared to the state. Rock Co. also had a shorter average commute time than the state.

	Rock (	Co.	Minn	esota	Figure 10. Time Leaving Home to		to	
Table 8. Commuting Characteristics, 2021	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	go to Work, 20		- 0.45	
Worked in state of residence	3,505	71.0%	2,858,636	97.7%	■ Rock			nesota 0% 60%
Worked in county of residence	3,021	61.2%	1,922,337	65.7%	1	J70 Z(	J% 41	0% 00%
Worked out of county of residence	479	9.7%	933,372	31.9%	12:00 a.m. to	0.40/		
Worked outside state of residence	1,432	29.0%	67,296	2.3%	4:59 a.m.	3.1% 4.6%		
MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK					F-00 t- F-F0			
Car, truck, or van	4,295	87.0%	2,387,561	81.6%	5:00 a.m. to 5:59 a.m.	8.5		
Public transportation (excl. taxicab)	5	0.1%	81,926	2.8%		9.1	%	
Other method (walk, bike, taxi, etc.)	222	4.5%	122,889	4.2%	6:00 a.m. to 6:59		17.5%	
Worked at home	420	8.5%	333,556	11.4%	a.m.		19.4%	
TRAVEL TIME TO WORK					7:00 a.m. to 7:59			_
Less than 10 minutes	1,822	36.9%	465,223	15.9%			20	41.8% 0%
10 to 19 minutes	978	19.8%	895,335	30.6%			29.	078
20 to 29 minutes	666	13.5%	649,557	22.2%		10	.1%	
30 to 44 minutes	1,076	21.8%	567,631	19.4%	a.m.	1	L4.5%	
45 to 59 minutes	311	6.3%	190,186	6.5%	9:00 a.m. to		10.00/	
60 or more minutes	89	1.8%	158,000	5.4%	11:59 p.m.		19.0% 23.3%	S
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	19.0	minutes	23.5	minutes	]		_	

## **INCOMES, COST OF LIVING, & HOUSING**

Rock Co. had a lower median household income than the state, and a higher percentage of households with incomes below \$50,000. Overall, Rock Co. had the 22nd highest median household income of the 87 counties in the state.



Source: 2017-2021 American Community Survey

Source: 2017-2021 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

The cost of living has increased over the past 2 years with costs up in many areas. Rock Co. had a lower cost of living than the state, with a required hourly wage of \$13.19 for a single person living alone to meet a basic needs cost of living, and an hourly wage requirement of \$14.76 for a typical family with 2 adults and 1 child (see Table 9).

Table 9. Basic Needs Cost of Living Estimates, 2022									
	Single Yearly	Hourly Wage			N	Ionthly Co	sts		
Single Adult, 0 children	Cost of Living	•	Child Care	Food	Health	Housing	Trans-	Other	Taxes
	COSt Of Living	Required	Care	Tiousing	portation		Taxes		
Rock Co.	\$27,441	\$13.19	\$0	\$356	\$152	\$565	\$670	\$252	\$292
State of Minnesota	\$33,708	\$16.21	\$0	\$359	\$157	\$903	\$663	\$345	\$382
Typical Family: 2 Adults (1	Family Yearly	Hourly Wage			N	Ionthly Co	sts		
working full-time, 1 part-	Cost of Living	•	Child Care	Food	Health	Housing	Trans-	Other	Taxes
time), 1 child	Cost of Living	Kequirea	Cilia Care	roou	Care		portation	Other	Taxes
Rock Co.	\$46,055	\$14.76	\$207	\$814	\$538	\$756	\$781	\$430	\$312
State of Minnesota	\$60,540	\$19.40	\$579	\$822	\$561	\$1,151	\$772	\$540	\$620

Source: DEED Cost of Living tool

Rock Co. had a lower median house value than the state, having the 51st highest value of the 87 counties in 2021. Rock Co.'s housing stock was older than the state's, with a lower percentage of units built since 2000 (see Figure 12).

Table 10. Estimated Value of Owner-	Rock (	Rock Co.		
occupied Housing Units, 2021	Total	Percent	Percent	
Total	3,044	100.0%	100.0%	
Less than \$50,000	218	7.2%	4.3%	
\$50,000 to \$99,999	470	15.4%	6.1%	
\$100,000 to \$149,999	538	17.7%	9.5%	
\$150,000 to \$199,999	672	22.1%	14.8%	
\$200,000 to \$299,999	639	21.0%	28.7%	
\$300,000 to \$499,999	396	13.0%	26.4%	
\$500,000 or more	111	3.6%	10.2%	
Median (dollars)	\$165,9	\$250,200		

Source: 2017-2021 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates

Figure 12. Year Structure Built, 2021 20% 40% 0% 30% Rock Co. Minnesota 2010 or later 2000 to 2009 13.4% 1980 to 1999 22.4% 1960 to 1979 24.1% 23.1% 1940 to 1959 29.4% 1939 or earlier 15.9%

> Figure 13. Housing Costs as a Percentage of Income, 2021

> > 11.4%

29.2%

mortgage

39.5%

rent

Median monthly owner costs, owner-occupied units with a mortgage

state \$1,682

Percentage of households with a mortgage spending 30% or more of their income on housing costs

Median monthly rent costs \$651

Percentage of renters spending 30% or more of their household income on rent

state 45.4%

Less than 20% 25.0% to 29.9%

6.6%

15.9%

20% to 24.9% 30.0% to 34.9%

60.7%

■ 35% or more

Source: 2017-2021 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates

## **OCCUPATIONS**

At \$21.23 in 2023, wages were lower in Region 8 than the state. Overall, Region 8 had the 4th lowest median hourly wage level of the 13 economic development regions in the state. Wages were highest for management occupations (\$42.66) and lowest for food preparation and serving related jobs (\$14.11) (see Table 11).

Table 11. Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, 20.	23						
	Region 8				State of Minnesota		
Occupational Group	Median Hourly Wage	Estimated Regional Jobs	Share of Total Jobs	Regional Location Quotient	Median Hourly Wage	State-wide Jobs	Share of Total Jobs
Total, All Occupations	\$21.23	51,900	100.0%	1.0	\$24.25	2,827,310	100.0%
Management	\$42.66	2,760	5.3%	0.8	\$51.58	193,760	6.9%
Business & Financial Operations	\$31.03	1,980	3.8%	0.5	\$38.19	201,940	7.1%
Computer & Mathematical	\$39.33	530	1.0%	0.3	\$49.73	99,250	3.5%
Architecture & Engineering	\$34.54	670	1.3%	0.7	\$40.60	53,100	1.9%
Life, Physical & Social Science	\$30.81	500	1.0%	0.9	\$39.37	29,070	1.0%
Community & Social Service	\$25.00	870	1.7%	0.9	\$25.82	54,820	1.9%
Legal	\$34.75	120	0.2%	0.3	\$47.87	18,730	0.7%
Education, Training & Library	\$23.94	3,850	7.4%	1.3	\$24.82	158,830	5.6%
Arts, Design, Entertainment & Media	\$22.40	370	0.7%	0.5	\$28.80	37,630	1.3%
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	\$35.05	2,880	5.5%	0.8	\$41.07	186,700	6.6%
Healthcare Support	\$16.77	2,960	5.7%	1.0	\$17.40	162,400	5.7%
Protective Service	\$24.61	650	1.3%	0.9	\$25.83	40,620	1.4%
Food Preparation & Serving Related	\$14.11	3,720	7.2%	0.9	\$14.89	216,970	7.7%
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	\$17.60	1,540	3.0%	1.1	\$18.26	76,210	2.7%
Personal Care & Service	\$15.68	720	1.4%	0.7	\$16.96	58,120	2.1%
Sales & Related	\$15.72	4,420	8.5%	1.0	\$18.14	239,500	8.5%
Office & Administrative Support	\$20.57	5,780	11.1%	0.9	\$23.06	345,830	12.2%
Farming, Fishing & Forestry	\$19.20	270	0.5%	3.6	\$19.84	4,060	0.1%
Construction & Extraction	\$24.18	2,220	4.3%	1.1	\$31.00	113,930	4.0%
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	\$24.67	2,360	4.5%	1.3	\$27.95	98,670	3.5%
Production	\$20.18	7,440	14.3%	1.9	\$22.07	209,380	7.4%
Transportation & Material Moving	\$20.72	5,280	10.2%	1.3	\$19.80	227,780	8.1%

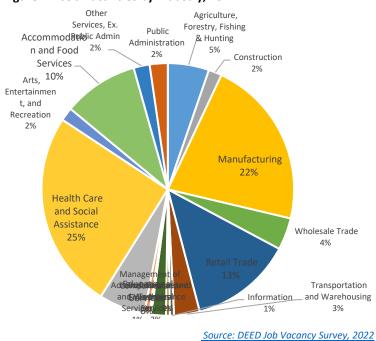
Source: DEED Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, Qtr. 1 2023

## **JOB VACANCY SURVEY**

Rock Co. is a part of the Southwest planning region. There were 14128 job vacancies posted by employers in 2022, indicating extensive opportunity in the region, with openings across several occupations and industries (see Figure 14).

Table 12. Southwest Job Vacancy Survey Results, 2022						
Number of						
Occupational Group	Vacancies	Wage Offer				
Total, All Occupations	14,128	\$16.55				
Management	430					
Business & Financial Operations	151					
Computer & Mathematical	99					
Architecture & Engineering	130					
Life, Physical & Social Sciences	69	\$20.91				
Community & Social Service	159	•				
Education, Training & Library	731	7-11-0				
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	1,252	\$25.17				
Healthcare Support	1,290	\$14.92				
Protective Service	142	\$19.76				
Food Preparation & Serving Related	2,626	\$13.56				
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	379	\$15.50				
Personal Care & Service	135	\$12.78				
Sales & Related	1,467	\$14.33				
Office & Administrative Support	766	\$14.07				
Construction & Extraction	165	\$17.90				
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	554	\$22.90				
Production	1,782	\$18.26				
Transportation & Material Moving	786	\$17.46				

Figure 14. Job Vacancies by Industry, 2022



## **OCCUPATIONS IN DEMAND**

Table 13. Southwest Occupa	ations in Demand, 2022		
Less than High School	High School or Equivalent	Some College or Assoc. Deg.	Bachelor's Degree or Higher
Home Health and Personal	Nursing Assistants	Registered Nurses	Elementary School Teachers,
Care Aides	_	Registered Nurses	Except Special Education
\$30,145/yr	\$33,957/yr	\$76,734/yr	\$53,146/yr
Retail Salespersons	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational	Clinical Laboratory Technologists	General and Operations Managers
Netali Salespersoris	Nurses	and Technicians	General and Operations Managers
\$28,932/yr	\$48,351/yr	\$55,177/yr	\$79,034/yr
Cashiers	Medical Assistants	Police and Sheriff?s Patrol	Secondary School Teachers, Except
Casillers	Wedical Assistants	Officers	Special and Career/Technical
\$25,982/yr	\$41,596/yr	\$59,965/yr	\$57,121/yr
Fast Food and Counter	Automotive Service Technicians and	Magnetic Resonance Imaging	Accountants and Auditors
Workers	Mechanics	Technologists	Accountants and Additors
\$24,598/yr	\$37,127/yr	\$79,803/yr	\$64,075/yr
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer	Electricians	Industrial Engineering	Substance abuse, behavioral
Truck Drivers	Liectifcialis	Technologists and Technicians	disorder, and mental health
\$45,543/yr	\$57,423/yr	\$51,741/yr	\$51,967/yr
First-Line Supervisors of	Heating, Air Conditioning, and	Surgical Technologists	Substitute Teachers, Short-Term
Retail Sales Workers	Refrigeration Mechanics and Installers	Surgicul recimologists	Substitute reactions, short retiff
\$43,858/yr	\$49,409/yr	\$57,436/yr	\$35,428/yr
Waiters and Waitresses	Machinists	Radiologic Technologists and	Project Management Specialists
Waiters and Waitresses	Widefilliass	Technicians	and Business Operations
\$25,523/yr	\$48,003/yr	\$65,570/yr	\$60,798/yr
Stockers and Order Fillers	Industrial Machinery Mechanics	Veterinary Technologists and	Pharmacists
Stockers and Order Tillers	·	Technicians	
\$30,099/yr	\$52,667/yr	\$37,547/yr	\$134,918/yr
Customer Service	Hairdressers, Hairstylists, and	Electrical and Electronic	Middle School Teachers, Except
Representatives	Cosmetologists	Engineering Technologists and	Special and Career/Technical
\$37,334/yr	\$29,742/yr	\$58,234/yr	\$60,938/yr
Teaching Assistants, Except	Emergency Medical Technicians and	Forest and Conservation	Sales Representatives, Wholesale
Postsecondary	Paramedics	Technicians	and Manufacturing, Technical and
\$29,982/yr	\$36,614/yr	\$47,186/yr	\$54,030/yr

Source: DEED Occupations in Demand

Rock Co. is a part of the Southwest planning region, which is projected to see a 3.9% increase in employment levels over the next decade. In addition to new jobs created, there will be a much larger number of exit openings (see Figure 15).

Table 14. Regional Industry Employment Pr	rojections, 2020	-2030	
Southwest Planning Region	Estimated Employment 2020	Projected Employ- ment 2030	Percent Change 2020-2030
Total, All Industries	195,812	203,504	3.9%
Natural Resources & Mining	5,931	6,026	1.6%
Utilities	713	735	3.1%
Construction	7,573	8,082	6.7%
Manufacturing	30,107	30,719	2.0%
Wholesale Trade	8,045	8,118	0.9%
Retail Trade	18,569	17,653	-4.9%
Transportation & Warehousing	7,385	7,817	5.8%
Information	2,152	2,001	-7.0%
Finance & Insurance, Real Estate	8,098	8,232	1.7%
Professional Services & Mgmt. of Compani	5,283	5,512	4.3%
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt.	3,421	3,636	6.3%
Educational Services	15,564	16,274	4.6%
Health Care & Social Assistance	29,352	32,081	9.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	11,744	14,382	22.5%
Other Services	6,756	7,462	10.4%
Public Administration	13,193	13,517	2.5%

Figure 15. Regional Occupational **Employment Projections, 2020-2030** 

From employment growth -5,000 0 From exit openings 5,000 10,000 15,000				
Management Occupations	312	8,590		
Business and Financial	301	<b>1</b> ,897		
Computer and	83	432		
Architecture and	174	<b>682</b>		
Life, Physical, and Social	111	533		
Community and Social	434	<b>1</b> ,676		
Legal Occupations	47	194		
Educational Instruction and	855	4,608		
Arts, Design,	196	<b>1</b> ,129		
Healthcare Practitioners	729	<b>2,7</b> 38		
Healthcare Support	1,322	7,049		
Protective Service	125	<b>1</b> ,134		
Food Preparation and	2,02	9,744		
Building and Grounds	414	3,715		
Personal Care and Service	446	3,452		
Sales and Related	-83	<sup>2</sup> 9,573		
Office and Administrative	-999	10,245		
Farming, Fishing, and	63	<b>1</b> ,651		
Construction and Extraction	433	2,623		
Installation, Maintenance,	515	<b>2,6</b> 60		
Production Occupations	-49	7,349		
Transportation and	986	7,521		

## **ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS**

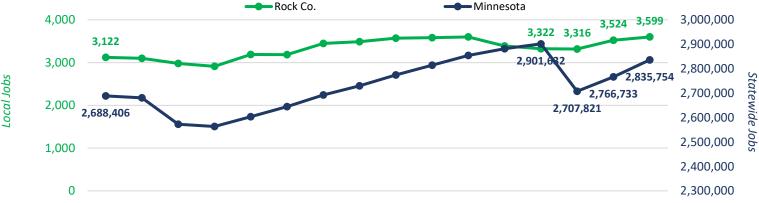
Coming out of the pandemic recession, after gaining jobs over the past year, Rock Co. had the 72nd largest economy of the 87 counties in the state. Rock Co. was the 40th fastest growing in the past year and the 2nd fastest growing since 2019. From 2019 to 2022, employment in Rock Co. grew despite the pandemic recession.

325 business establishments \$49,143 annual average wage

3,599 jobs \$176,866,167 total industry payroll

Job change, 277 jobs 8.3% increase

Figure 16. Industry Employment Statistics, 2007-2022

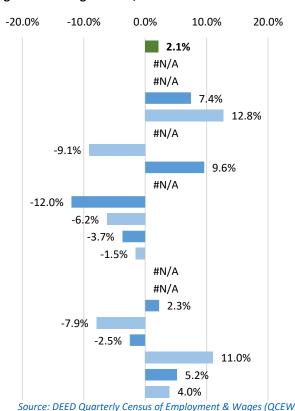


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Source: DEED QCEW program

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Table 15 Back Co. Industry Francisco	Number of	Dorsont of	Average
Table 15. Rock Co. Industry Employment	Number of	Percent of	Annual
Statistics, 2022	Jobs	Total Jobs	Wage
Total, All Industries	3,599	100.0%	\$49,143
Agriculture, Forestry, Fish & Hunt	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Mining	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Construction	130	3.6%	\$46,799
Manufacturing	645	17.9%	\$47,175
Utilities	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Wholesale Trade	199	5.5%	\$70,129
Retail Trade	388	10.8%	\$29,737
Transportation & Warehousing	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Information	22	0.6%	\$47,116
Finance & Insurance	241	6.7%	\$100,248
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	26	0.7%	\$37,420
Professional & Technical Services	64	1.8%	\$18,990
Management of Companies	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Svcs.	71	2.0%	\$30,184
Educational Services	271	7.5%	\$48,523
Health Care & Social Assistance	765	21.3%	\$47,956
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	39	1.1%	\$21,165
Accommodation & Food Services	191	5.3%	\$14,721
Other Services	81	2.3%	\$27,106
Public Administration	235	6.5%	\$42,667

Figure 17. Change in Jobs, 2021-2022



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